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Mission Statement

Citrus College delivers high quality instruction that empowers students to compete globally and to contribute to the economic growth of today's society.

We are dedicated to fostering a diverse educational community and cultural learning environment that supports student success in pursuit of academic excellence, economic opportunity, and personal achievement.

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REPORTS

Superintendent/President

Michael J. Viera, Ph.D., superintendent/president, thanked the board for attending the reception in honor of the retirees and the newly-tenured faculty.

Dr. Viera reported on discussions between Citrus College, Azusa Pacific University and the cities of Azusa and Glendora regarding traffic issues at the intersection of Foothill Boulevard and Citrus Avenue. Possible solutions include adding a northbound right-turn lane into campus and upgrading traffic signals. No board action is required at this time. Dr. Viera thanked Mr. Mike Harrington, director of facilities and construction, and Mrs. Carol R. Horton, vice president of finance and administrative services, for working to improve traffic flow around the college.

Dr. Viera reported that the Citrus College delegation had positive discussions with our elected officials in Sacramento on Capitol Day on May 20. On May 23, the education sub-committees met and both houses expressed strong support for the May Revision proposal to provide additional state dollars to make up for the \$92 million 07/08 property tax shortfall with a backfill of \$75 million for 07/08 and \$139 million for 08/09. The Senate Budget Subcommittee on Education also voted to restore \$57 million for competitive Cal Grants. Dr. Viera added that the state is having cash flow issues, which they are planning to transfer to local districts.

Dr. Viera welcomed the incoming student board member, Mr. Andrew Cress. Mr. Cress is a political science major from Claremont. Last year Mr. Cress served as a Student Ambassador. He currently participates in the Honors Program and hopes to transfer to UCLA, UC Berkeley, or one of The Claremont Colleges.

Instruction

Ms. Irene Malmgren, vice president of instruction, reported that all eight men's basketball team members transferring to four-year colleges in the fall have received full scholarships. Ms. Malmgren said this speaks well for both our students and their coaches.

Ms. Malmgren congratulated Dr. Mickie Allen, director of the child development center (CDC), for reaccreditation of the CDC by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. In addition, four CDC students have been promoted to teachers.

Mr. Alan Tussy, mathematics instructor, will present two workshops on the "Eureka! Experience." The Eureka! Experience was developed by a leading educational psychologist and explains the successive stages that students go through to assimilate terms and form concepts.

As a reward for completing their science projects, 44 students in grades three through five from Sellers Elementary in Glendora came to campus for a tour of our science programs.

Student Services

Dr. Jeanne Hamilton, vice president of student services, reported that the end-of-the-year ceremonies for programs such as DSP&S, the Transfer Center, EOP&S, and the Honors Program, will take place over the next few weeks. This year the Annual Achievement Awards will be choreographed by Mr. John Vaughan, dance instructor. Dr. Hamilton said everyone is working to make graduation a wonderful event, in spite of challenges posed by construction.

Eighty-seven students, including students from Claremont and Azusa High Schools, attended the "Careers in Teaching Workshop" presented by the Center for Teacher Excellence program. Dr. Hamilton thanked Ms. Carolyn Perry, social and behavioral science instructor, and Dr. June Han, science, engineering and health science instructor, for promoting the event.

Human Resources

Dr. Sandra Lindoerfer, director of human resources, was pleased to recommend the hiring of a new instructor of economics, Ms. Christine Styles. In addition, she reported that the Adjunct Faculty United had ratified the Tentative Agreement, and the item was on the agenda.

Finance and Administrative Services

Mrs. Horton reported that there were two job walks but only one bid submitted for scoreboards for the Stadium and Softball Fields. Scoreboards are a very specialized field. She has checked prices, however, and the bid is acceptable.

COMMENTS

Academic Senate

Ms. Dana Hester, academic senate president, welcomed Mr. Cress and said he had been an outstanding representative for ASCC to the Academic Senate.

Ms. Hester said the Academic Senate has acted on several policies and regulations and also took action to support the formation of a new Academic Senate subcommittee to address career/technical education issues.

The Curriculum and SLO Marathon on May 9 was a great success. Ms. Hester praised Ms. Roberta Eisel, SLO and assessment coordinator; Mr. Dave Kary, physical science instructor; Ms. Malmgren and many others for providing a collegial environment. More than 50 faculty and staff attended, and SLO language was added to about 50 courses.

Classified School Employees Association

Ms. Cathy Napoli, CSEA president, thanked the management team and the supervisor/confidential group for honoring classified staff at the Classified Staff Appreciation Breakfast.

Ms. Napoli announced that classified staff will attend a leadership retreat in June, which will feature a session on "Coping with the Stress of Change," presented by guest speaker Ms. Jean Steele. Mr. Steve Handy, athletic trainer, will facilitate the afternoon breakout sessions.

Members of the Board of Trustees

Mr. Cress thanked the board for the opportunity to serve as student board member for the coming year. He is looking forward to many opportunities to serve his fellow students and grow personally and professionally.

Mr. Cress reported that Ms. Abigail Thomson, ASCC recording secretary, was unanimously elected to serve as the chair of the Student Senate for California Community Colleges, Region VIII.

Mrs. Joanne Montgomery, board member, expressed her appreciation for the reorganization information, which supports several personnel items on the agenda. She said it is important for the board to understand these types of decisions, especially in tight budgetary times.

Mrs. Montgomery thanked Mr. Craig Smith, transportation/warehouse coordinator, for the long day of driving the board to a site visit in San Diego. She also commended the efforts of Mr. Sam Lee, dean of language arts, for organizing the Classified Breakfast; Dr. Kim Holland, director of vocational education, for her ongoing work in acquiring grants; Ms. Hester and Mr. Jim Lancaster, career/technical instructor, for their faculty leadership; Mr. Harrington for one of the most thorough Program Reviews she has ever seen; and Mrs. Christine Link, executive assistant, and Mrs. Pam Sewell, administrative assistant, for their exceptional efforts with regard to the Presidential Search.

Mrs. Susan M. Keith, board vice president, thanked Citrus College faculty, students and staff who attended Capitol Day on May 20. She was pleased that they combined forces to lobby with other SanFACC colleges. The group met with our local legislators and the incoming Chancellor, Senator Jack Scott. Mrs. Keith said community colleges are in a slightly better position than in January, but she stressed to maintain that position, we need to continue being there and being counted. She said our recent efforts in Washington, D.C. and Sacramento have resulted in measurable gains.

Ms. Keith bid farewell to Dr. Lindoerfer and thanked her for exhibiting dignity, especially in times of challenge.

Dr. Edward C. Ortell, board president, thanked Mrs. Keith for leading the Citrus delegation in Sacramento. He said our regional caucus, SanFACC, continues to make headlines and address important regional issues.

Dr. Patricia Rasmussen, board member, commended all of the faculty members who have just received tenure. She also commended our study abroad program, saying it is an excellent way for students to study history.

Dr. Rasmussen echoed Mrs. Montgomery's remarks regarding the importance of information to support departmental reorganization. She is hopeful that future reorganizations will not result in any negative fiscal impact.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

Mrs. Horton referred the board to the Facilities and Construction Program Review. She said it is the first program review her area has ever done. It shows the tremendous amount of work, with limited resources, that Facilities accomplishes. She commended Mr. Harrington for his outstanding work on this report.

BOARD ACTION

The board approved eight action items, including the employment of Ms. Christine Styles as an instructor of economics; approval of the Tentative Agreement between the district and Adjunct Faculty United; and the appointment of Ms. Yvonne Bullock, Mr. Jon Hart, Ms. Nikki Hull, Mr. Joe Guarrera, and ASCC representative Ms. Savannah Star Dominguez, to the Measure G Oversight Committee.